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Sir:

This is a response to the Final Office Action mailed December 16, 2003, in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

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NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT			HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		EXTRA PRESENT		RATE		ADDIT. FEE	
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